

## General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: (JUD)

## AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL RECORDS AND SENTENCE REVIEW.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 54-142g of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2010):
- 4 (e) "Nonconviction information" means (1) criminal history record
- 5 information that has been "erased" pursuant to section 54-142a; (2)
- 6 information relating to persons granted youthful offender status; (3)
- 7 continuances which are more than thirteen months old; and (4) records
- 8 of the Department of Correction relating to a person in a criminal case
- 9 who, on or after July 1, 2006, is found not guilty of the charge or the
- 10 <u>charge is dismissed, upon the expiration of the time to file a writ of</u>
- 11 error or take an appeal, if an appeal is not taken, or upon final
- 12 <u>determination of the appeal sustaining a finding of not guilty or a</u>
- 13 <u>dismissal, if an appeal is taken</u>. Nonconviction information does not
- 14 mean conviction information or current offender information.
- 15 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 54-142k of the general statutes is

repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

- (d) Nonconviction information shall be available to the subject of the information and to the subject's attorney pursuant to this subsection and subsection (e) of this section. Any person shall, upon satisfactory proof of the person's identity, be entitled to inspect, for purposes of verification and correction, any nonconviction information relating to the person and upon the person's request shall be given a computer printout or photocopy of such information for which a reasonable fee may be charged, provided no erased record may be released except as provided in subsection (f) of section 54-142a. [Before] Except with respect to nonconviction information as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 54-142g, as amended by this act, before releasing any exact reproductions of nonconviction information to the subject of the information, the agency holding such information may remove all personal identifying information from such reproductions.
- Sec. 3. Section 54-142n of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
  - Nonconviction information, other than erased information and nonconviction information as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 54-142g, as amended by this act, may be disclosed only to: (1) Criminal justice agencies in this and other states and the federal government; (2) agencies and persons which require such information to implement a statute or executive order that expressly refers to criminal conduct; and (3) agencies or persons authorized by a court order, statute or decisional law to receive criminal history record information. Whenever a person or agency receiving a request for nonconviction information is in doubt about the authority of the requesting agency to receive such information, the request shall be referred to the State Police Bureau of Investigation.
- Sec. 4. Section 51-195 of the general statutes is repealed and the

following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2010):

Any person sentenced on one or more counts of an information to a term of imprisonment for which the total sentence of all such counts amounts to confinement for three years or more, may, within thirty days from the date such sentence was imposed or if the offender received a suspended sentence with a maximum confinement of three years or more, within thirty days of revocation of such suspended sentence, except in any case in which a different sentence could not have been imposed, [or in any case in which the sentence or commitment imposed resulted from the court's acceptance of a plea agreement or in any case in which the sentence imposed was for a lesser term than was proposed in a plea agreement, file with the clerk of the court for the judicial district in which the judgment was rendered an application for review of the sentence by the review division. Upon imposition of sentence or at the time of revocation of such suspended sentence, the clerk shall give written notice to the person sentenced of his right to make such a request. Such notice shall include a statement that review of the sentence may result in decrease or increase of the term within the limits fixed by law. A form for making such application shall accompany the notice. The clerk shall forthwith transmit such application to the review division and shall notify the judge who imposed the sentence. Such judge may transmit to the review division a statement of his reasons for imposing the sentence, and shall transmit such a statement within seven days if requested to do so by the review division. The filing of an application for review shall not stay the execution of the sentence.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	54-142g(e)
Sec. 2	October 1, 2010	54-142k(d)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2010	54-142n
Sec. 4	October 1, 2010	51-195

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## Statement of Purpose:

To limit the disclosure of criminal records of certain inmates of the Department of Correction and allow defendants who pled guilty to an offense to seek sentence review.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]